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**PATENT**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: *Li et al.*

Group Art Unit: 1635

**Serial No.: 10/574,129**

Examiner: Bowman, Amy Hudson

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For: A NOVEL siRNA-BASED APPROACH TO TARGET THE HIF- $\alpha$  FACTOR FOR GENE THERAPY

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction/Election Requirement dated October 4, 2007, having an extended term for response that expires on January 4, 2008.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Election and Remarks.